

**INLAND WETLANDS & WATERCOURSES AGENCY  
REGULAR MEETING  
MONDAY, JULY 11, 2016 – 7:30 P.M.  
WOODSTOCK TOWN HALL – LOWER LEVEL, ROOM B**

**MINUTES**

**Present:** Chair Mark Parker, Marla Butts, Carl Knittel, Wayne (Woody) Durst, Patty LaCasse, Tina Lajoie (IWWA Clerk).

**I. Call to Order** – Meeting was called to order by Chair Mark Parker at 8:12 p.m.

**II. Roll Call** – Woody Durst, Mark Parker, Patty LaCasse, Marla Butts, Carl Knittel

**Absent:** Diane Wolff, Terry Bellman (Wetlands Agent)

**III. Appointment of Alternates** – None

**IV. Action on Minutes of Previous Meeting – May 2, 2016**

**(No meeting in June).** Under “New Business” add: Chairman added to the agenda. Add “Motion carried unanimously.”

**MOTION BY MARLA BUTTS, SECONDED BY PATTY LACASSE, TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF MAY 2, 2016 WITH THE MODIFICATIONS AS NOTED TO PARAGRAPH VI a. AS PRESENTED. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

**V. Old Business - None**

**VI. New Business**

**a. 07-16-11 Quasset Lake Tax District, Shore Rd. – drainage repair**

Brian Werling, Quasset Lake District President, is present on behalf of QLD. Application has been submitted and is complete. Proposal is for underground culvert piping. They had originally wanted to put in two catch basins in the current location, but the neighbors are not in favor as disturbance would be along the neighbor’s property line. Alternative was to install along QLD access strip which would be a more involved project. KWP provided documentation as to proposed system’s capabilities to handle drainage/run-off. Design is to handle a little more than a 10-year return frequency storm which complies with DOT standards for small drainage systems, per M. Butts. Contributing drainage area is approximately 2.4 acres. Current system has no catch basins (sumps), new design shows four. Application is to be received for consideration. No work in wetlands, according to plan. Design appears to comply with DEEP requirements for discharge, per M. Butts. There were specific questions on plunge pool details for next meeting regarding erosion controls.

**MOTION BY M. BUTTS TO ACCEPT APPLICATION 07-16-11 FOR CONSIDERATION, SECONDED BY C. KNITTEL. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

Mr. Werling has another topic to bring to the attention of the Agency regarding the liquid manure that local farmers are putting close to the road and then this is draining down into the Quasset Lake. He collected some storm-water run-off during a storm to have tested two days after the manure was sprayed. He believed there were some limitations placed on the farmer’s right to spread this manure onto the strip of land next to the road back in 1983. He found information in BOS minutes that refers to Conservation Commission’s review and recommendation that no manure be spread in this strip. He was

not able to find any formal agreement or language that actually prohibited this practice. He wanted to discuss the situation with the IWWA since they are the town's authority on protecting this town's natural resources. He has not received the results to date on the storm-water run-off sample but suspects they will show elevated levels from manure. It was suggested by IWWA that he notify the Conservation Commission to find out what the liquid manure applications really are and also the Wolf Den Extension service for assistance. There may be a nutrient management plan arrangement in place already. Mr. Werling will follow-up with what was recommended.

**b. Wrobel, John & Robert, 384 Rte 198 – Timber Harvest – Determination of Use Permitted as of Right**

Terry Bellman, Wetlands Agent, is not present to provide IWWA with details of his meeting with the applicant and T. Lajoie was not provided with the details. Map shows a wetlands crossing in order to reach the back lot. Road is existing. IWWA has reviewed the information provided but additional information is required:

- If access roads are going to be improved, how will this be done and with what material?
- Does that mean brush being removed, fill being brought into low spots?

IWWA discusses approving on the condition that if fill is being put in, that he has to come back to get approval for any filling of culverting.

**MOTION BY M. BUTTS THAT THE REQUEST FOR TIMBER HARVEST BE APPROVED AS A USE PERMITTED AS OF RIGHT ON 384 RTE 198 WITH A LIMITATION THAT NO FILLING OF WETLANDS OR CULVERTING OF WATERCOURSES IS AUTHORIZED BY THIS APPROVAL. SECONDED BY C. KNITTEL.**

**MOTION AMENDED BY M. BUTTS TO INCLUDE: IF IT IS NECESSARY TO PLACE ANY FILL IN WETLANDS OR CULVERT ANY WATERCOURSES, THAT THE REQUESTER RETURN TO THE WETLANDS COMMISSION WITH SAID DETAILS FOR ADDITIONAL APPROVAL. SECONDED BY C. KNITTEL. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

**VII. WETLANDS AGENT ACTIVITY REPORT (Terry Bellman is not present, report given by T. Lajoie)**

- Notice of intent for logging operation – Goodell Forest – No wetlands disturbance – (Sign off).
- Permitted use as of right, Woodstock Ag Society, 281 Rte 169 – Removal of trees – (Sign off).
- Verification of phone call to Kartik Parekh re: Painter Pond Dam

Discussion on lack of staff at DEEP and inability to continue programs but once the programs are eliminated, it's very hard to get them back into place..

**VIII. Citizen's comments / other topics**

- a. Notice of Federal Coastal Consistency Review, State-wide, Section 401 Water Quality
- b. The Habitat Newsletter of CACIWC
- c. CT Land Conservation Council, Training & Education program and membership

**IX. Adjournment**

**MOTION TO ADJOURN BY M. BUTTS , SECONDED BY P. LACASSE AT 09:05 P.M.  
MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

Respectfully submitted,

Tina M. Lajoie, IWWA Clerk

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